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1. COMMUNIQUE OF MARCH 19-20 CENTRAL COMMITTEE MEETING REAFFIRMED PARTY SUPPORT FOR DETENTE, AND STRESSED THAT "FUNDAMENTAL FEATURE OF PRESENT DAY INTERNATIONAL SITUATION IS INCREASING UNFOLDING OF PEACEFUL COEXISTENCE BETWEEN COUNTRIES OF DIFFERENT SOCIAL SYSTEMS". PARTY CLAIMED THAT "MAIN TEHATRE OF STRUGGLE IS IN EUROPE WHERE MORE CONSTRUCTIVE ATTITUDES ARE NEEDED BY CAPITALIST COUNTRIES" TO ENSURE SUCCESS OF MBFR AND CSCE. CHANGE IN WORLD BALANCE OF FORCES, ALLEGEDLY FAVORING SOCIALIST WORLD, RESPONSIBLE FOR INCREASED PROSPECTS FOR DETENTE. STATEMENT DWELLS ON ECONOMIC DIFFICULTIES IN WEST AS "POSITIVE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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FACTOR" IN TIPPING ADVANTAGE TO "FORCES OF PEACE". CC

WARNS, HOWEVER, THAT "EXTREMIST IMPERIALIST CIRCLES" IN WEST ARE ATTEMPTING TO SABOTAGE DETENTE BY COUPS D'ETAT, TERROR AND BY REVIVING "OBSOLETE FORMS OF ANTI-COMMUNISM".

- 2. USG RECEIVED CRITICISM BY NAME IN COMMUNIQUE OVER VIETNAM AND LATIN AMERICA. US "AGGRESSIVE CIRCLES" ARE ACCUSED OF SUPPORTING GVN VIOLATION OF PARIS AGREEMENTS AND "AMERICAN IMPERIALISM" IS CHARGED WITH ATTACKING REVOLUTIONARY AND PROGRESSIVE MOVEMENTS IN LATIN AMERICA. "IMPERIALISTS" ARE ALLEGEDLY USING ANTI-SOVIETS SUCH AS SOLZHENITSYN AND "OLD WORLD REPRESENTATIVES SUCH AS MINDSZENTY". THESE ANTI-COMMUNISTS ARE DESCRIBED AS ABETTED BY "CHINESE MAOIST LEADERSHIP".
- 3. NOT SURPRISINGLY, CC EMPHASIZES ITS CLOSE RELATIONSHIP WITH CPSU AND OTHER "SOCIALIST PARTIES". IT POINTEDLY SINGELS OUT FOR PRAISE DEC. 1973 MOSCOW IDEOLOGICAL CONFERENCE AS IMPORTANT STEP IN SOCIALIST MULTILATERAL COLLABORATION AGAINST "IMPERIALIST DIVERSIONARY TACTICS". PARTY UNDERLINED ITS SUPPORT FOR ARABS, ENDORSES ALGERIAN PROPOSAL FOR UN CONFERENCE ON RAW MATERIALS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND CONDEMNS "BLOODY TERROR CAMPAIGN" OF CHILEANS.
- 4. COMMENT: INTERNATIONAL SECTION OF CC COMMUNIQUE WAS ESSENTIALLY ROUTINE AND MUCH LESS IMPORTANT THAN THOSE DEALING WITH DOMESTIC MATTERS, AREAS WHERE THERE IS GREATER DISAGREEMENT AMONG PARTY LEADERS. OF PRIME INTEREST WAS PRAISE OF DETENTE AND FACT THAT INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS ECTIONS WAS PRESENTED BY CC SECRETARY ARPAD PULLAI INSTEAD OF ZOLTAN KOMOCSIN, WHO HAS OVERSEEN FOREIGN POLICY MATTERS IN POLITBURO. KOMOCSIN, WHO HAS BEEN FREQUENTLY ILL, HAS JUST MADE HEAD OF EDITORIAL BOARD OF PARTY DAILY NEPSZABADSAG, POSSIBLE INDICATION THAT PULLAI HAS IN FACT TAKEN OVER FOREIGN AFFAIRS DIRECTION FOR PARTY.

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